



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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March 12, 2013

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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Dear Supervisors:

# ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

31 March 12, 2013

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR  
VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS  
IN THE CITIES OF CERRITOS, DOWNEY, GARDENA, LAKEWOOD,  
LOS ANGELES, AND NORWALK AND  
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF ATHENS,  
GORMAN, AND STEVENSON RANCH  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2, 4, AND 5)  
(3 VOTES)**

### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amounts for various public works construction contracts in the Cities of Cerritos, Downey, Gardena, Lakewood, Los Angeles, and Norwalk and in the unincorporated communities of Athens, Gorman, and Stevenson Ranch.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

Find that the requested changes in work will have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased contract amounts for the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. RDC0015326 – Gorman Post Road, et al., Phase 2, related to reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement, in the unincorporated communities of Gorman and Stevenson Ranch, for variations in bid quantities, with an increase in the contract amount of \$475,004.48, performed by Silvia Construction, Inc.;
- Project ID No. RDC0015360 – San Gabriel River Bicycle Trail, 183rd Street Tunnel Realignment (Phase 4), related to construction of a new precast reinforced concrete box tunnel and its approaches; construction of wingwall and retaining walls; reconstruction of biketrail and roadway,

curb and gutter, and sidewalk; and installation of utility conduits, in the City of Cerritos, for disposal of unsuitable excavated material, with an increase in the contract amount of \$67,000, performed by Kormx, Inc.;

- Project ID No. TSM0010063 – Vermont Avenue, et al., related to modification and synchronization of traffic signals, in the Cities of Gardena and Los Angeles and in the unincorporated community of Athens, for installing electrical conduits and restore pavement, with an increase in the contract amount of \$34,500, performed by Unique Performance Construction, Inc.; and
- Project ID No. TSM0010092 – Studebaker Road, related to modification and synchronization of traffic signals, in the Cities of Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, and Norwalk, for additional permit requirements, installation of new loop stubs and replacing irrigation controller enclosure, with an increase in the contact amount of \$25,600, performed by Steiny and Company, Inc.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the projects from the Board for changes in various public works construction contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee has been authorized by the Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for the Board's approval are changes in work in excess of the Director's delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0015326, RDC0015360, TSM0010063, and TSM0010092.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

Project ID No. RDC0015326, with an increase in the contract amount of \$475,004.48, is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Measure R Local Return Fund Budget.

Project ID No. RDC0015360, with an increase in the contract amount of \$67,000, funding for this project consists of \$1,850,000 of Fourth District Capital net county cost and \$11,000 of the Article 3 Bikeway Funds.

Project ID Nos. TSM0010063 and TSM0010092, with an increase in the contracts amount of \$34,500 and \$25,600, respectively, are included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements were awarded by the Board to the apparent responsible contractors with the lowest responsive bids in accordance with the State Public Contract Code, the Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director or her designee.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the requested changes by the Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

3/12/2013

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail Farber". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Gail" and last name "Farber" clearly distinguishable.

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office  
Internal Services Department (Countywide  
Contract Compliance)

CHANGE IN WORK (APPROVE)  
March 12, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015326 – Gorman Post Road, et al. Phase 2, (in the unincorporated communities of Gorman and Stevenson Ranch), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Silvia Construction, Inc.

Project Description:

Reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Variations in bid quantities \$475,004.48

Description of Change:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The cost for this work will be based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days will be required because of this change.

Financial Information:

Funding for this change in work is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Measure R Local Return Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$5,125,878.24
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	169,311.00
Change in work to be approved	<u>475,004.48</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$5,770,193.72</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	13%

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CHANGE IN WORK (APPROVE)  
March 12, 2012

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015360 - San Gabriel River Bicycle Trail, 183rd Street Tunnel Realignment (Phase 4), (in the City of Cerritos), Supervisorial District 4, Contractor: Kormx, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of a new precast reinforced concrete box tunnel and its approaches, construction of wingwall and retaining walls; reconstruction of biketrail and roadway, curb and gutter, and sidewalk; installation of utility conduits; and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Disposal of unsuitable excavated material	\$67,000.00
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Description of Change:

It is necessary to dispose of unsuitable material that was excavated from the project site during construction. The cost for this work will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of contract specifications.

Two additional working days will be required because of this change.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding for this project consists of \$1,850,000 of Fourth District Capital net County cost and \$11,000 of the Article 3 Bikeway Funds.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$894,223.29
Change in work to be approved	67,000.00
Changes in work previously approved under delegated authority	<u>18,800.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$980,023.29</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	9.6%

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CHANGE IN WORK (APPROVE)  
March 12, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010063 - Vermont Avenue, et al., (in the Cities of Gardena and Los Angeles and in the unincorporated community of Athens), Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4, Contractor: Unique Performance Construction, Inc.

Project Description:

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Install electrical conduits and restore pavement \$34,500.00

Description of Change:

Plans call for installation of detection loop cable for all directions at the intersection of Vermont Avenue at Rosecrans Avenue. To accommodate the new cable, larger electrical conduits are required. The contractor will need to trench the road and restore the road when this work is complete. The contractor must be compensated for this extra work not shown on the plans.

The cost for work will be negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of contract specifications.

Five additional working days will be required because of this change in work.

Financial Information:

This project, including this change in work, is financed with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2001 Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return match funds. On an annual basis, the Board has established a \$2.5 million top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the County's Traffic Congestion Management Program. The Proposition C Local Return match funds will be funded from this TOP allocation. This project will be done at no cost to the cities involved.

Financing for this change in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$416,213.43
Changes in work approved under delegated authority	8,234.46
Changes in work previously approved by the board	46,375.00
Change in work to be approved	<u>34,500.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$505,322.89</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	21%

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CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE)  
March 12, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010092 – Studebaker Road, (in the Cities of Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, and Norwalk), Supervisorial District 4, Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc.

Project Description:

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Additional permit requirements	\$19,500.00
(2) Install new loop stubs	3,100.00
(3) Replace irrigation controller enclosure	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total	<u>\$25,600.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) In order to comply with the City of Cerritos permit requirements, it is necessary to cold mill a section of the roadway and repave it with rubberized asphalt. This work is not shown on the plans.

(2) In order to complete the work per plans, it is necessary to install four new loop stubs out conduit to accommodate the proposed additional detection loop wires.

(3) The existing irrigation controller enclosure located in the median at Studebaker Road and the 91 Freeway west bound off ramp is in poor condition and can not be salvaged as plans call for. It is necessary to reimburse the contractor to install a new enclosure.

The costs for Items 1, 2, and 3 will be negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Six additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

This project is financed with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2001 Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Forum and the Proposition C Local Return match funds. On an annual basis, your Board has established a \$2.5 million top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the County's Traffic Congestion Management Program. The Proposition C Local Return match funds will be funded from this TOP allocation. The Highways-Through-Cities (HTC) funds and funds for the State's jurisdictional share consist of Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds. The work will be done at no cost to cities involved.

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$630,970.00
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	81,804.12
Changes in work to be approved	<u>25,600.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$738,374.12</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	17%

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